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THE PRIZE WINNERS FOR DECEMBER

To Etta Barber, of Plainfield for letter entitled "Mrs. Burton's Economi-

cards would.

before this .

Year.

Christmas greetings.

on Christmas day said:

all the Merriest of Christmases

A COUNTRY CHRISTMAS.

It was real country-two miles from

dollar bills and coins enough to make

up \$10.50, which is a neat little sum.

Fir arrived too late to get into the

morning of December 23, and doubt-

Maine Lover sent a booklet of Good

The gifts of Samantha and Balsam

3d prize \$1.50-

To Olga of Norwich, for letter entitled "Christmas Candles." 3rd prize \$1.00-

To Frank of Moosup, for letter entitled "A Gift for a Baby."

THE SOCIAL CORNER POEM. There to No Death.

There is no death! The stars go down To rise upon some fairer shore, and bright in heaven's jeweled crown They shine forevermore.

Phere is no death! The dust we tread Shall change beneath the summer showers To golden grain or mellow fruit Or rainbow-tinted flowers.

The granite rocks disorganize
To feed the hungry moss they bear;
The forest leaves drink daily life
From out the viewless air.

There is no death! The leaves may fall The flowers may fade and pass only wait through wintry hours coming of the May.

There is no death! An angel form Walks o'er the earth with silent

bears our best loved things away, nd then we call them "dead." He leaves our hearts all desolate— He plucks our fairest, sweetest flow-

ers;
Transplanted into blins, they now Adorn immortal bowers.

The birdlike voice whose joyous tones
Made glad this scene of sun and
strife,
Sings now in everlasting eong,
Amid the tree of life.

And when he sees a smile so bright.
Of hearts too pure for hate and vice,
He bears it to that world of light
To dwell in Paradise.

Sorn into that undying life,
They leave us but to come again;
With joy we welcome them—the same
Except in sin and pain.

And ever near us, though unseen
The dear immortal spirits tread;
For all the boundless universe,
Is life—there are no dead.
—Edward Bulwer Lytton.

Self and Life.

Belf. Changeful comrade, Life of mine, Befere we two must part, I will tell thee, thou shalt say, What thou hast been and art; Ere I lose my hold of thee Justify thyself to me.

Life.

was thy warmth upon thy mother's When light and life within her eyes

were one; we have the laurel tree, Culling warm daistes 'neath the sloping sun; We heard the chickens' lazy croon Where the trellised woodbines grew; And all the summer afternoon

oons at one end, and several cakes

spoons at one end, and several cakes at the other.

The chief attraction was the tree, which was wreathed with strings of snowy popeors with scariet cranberries scattered among the white, apples and oranges were hung with bright strings and vellow bags of nuts, and pink and white hars of candy helped oranges were hung with bright strings and yellow bags of nuts, and pink and white bags of candy helped n the decoration.

in the decoration.

Each of the twenty school children had a book from the teacher and some little gift from the common fund-bright pencils, games, boxes of stationery and toys for the little ones. Then there were home-made gills-pretty blotters and pen wipers for schoolmates, bright dust bags, hold-ers, pin cushions, etc., for the moth-ers; pipes, shaving paper and tobacco for the fathers and a book of ns for the teacher.

and the programme was a real sur-prise. The children gave recitations and sang Christmas songs in the most pleasing manner, and the solos by the teacher were of real merit.

Mrs. Ashton, whose reading in the

past had charmed more critical audiences than this, gave several appro-priate selections, and her neighbors were surprised to find Mr. Ashton a denesday of each week. Write on but one side of the paper.

Address, SOCIAL CORNER, EDITOR, Bulletin Office, Norwich, Conn.

THREE PRIZES MONTHLY: \$2.50 to first; \$1.50 to second; \$1.00 to third.

> I thank Samantha for the card I re-ETTA BARBER.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVALS IN MAINE.

Dear Editor and Social Corner Sis-ters: I am thinking of you all at this Christmas time and wondering if you all are as busy as myself.

I want to thank all for cards received. Some I have been able in my rush to answer, others I will finish later when things are quieted down. Last Wednesday night, I attended Christmas exercises at one of the schools. I enjoyed it very much. The music was furnished by the city music teacher. Violin solos, with recitations from the scholars also songs.

or a money order and a note would not carry with it the warmth of exthey had a living Christmas tree that was beautiful. I have heard of them before, but never saw one. Santa Claus made his appearance and repression the box and the coins and the There were fifteen contributors from membered all the little folks, which made them very happy.

We were all in lopes to have made up a straw sled ride, but snow would not come. We went home in an ice the Social Corner. They were Marpfed and Happy, Frank, Wild Cherry, Pink Rose, Theoda, Aunty, Rural De-

pan, as it bustes itself.

Remove the turkey from the pan, and if there is too much fat, turn off some. Put the pan on top of the range, and to the remainder of the fat add dry flour, a scant desertspoon to a tablespoon of fat is about the right proportion. It will look curdled at first, but pour on slowly, boiling hot water, stirring thoroughly till it becomes the right consistency. Have livery, Blanche, Silver Sixpence, Unknown Friend, Sweet Lavender, Lucy, Acorn, Aunt Mehitable, Samantha and Balsam Fir—and their total contribution in coins was \$5.30.

The Editor added \$1.00, the Bulletin Business Manager \$2.00, other friends most of the way, as the horse was

Today we, had our Sunday School oncert, which passed off very nice. The Primary class had a contest in speaking the 23rd Psalm. Ariene Penriwon the prize book. The others all had gift booklets for the trying—and are now ready for spother contest on something else. I like their pluck, and think I shall are them. Christmas box, but were mailed on the less have reached their destination think I shall get them at work for Easter

Cheer, to Disha and "an interested reader of The Corner sent a very pretty calendar for the year 1913.

The Editor has found it a pleasure to aid in making Christmas pleasant for Diana, also to forward cards for such members as desired to exchange

old time's sake.

We have had no snow as yet, bu
when it comes it will stay all winter. with a card he would say that he ap-Skating couldn't be better, have been with a card be would say that he appreciates their thoughtfulness and kindness and wishes them, and all writers and readers of the Social Corner a happy and prosperous New Augusta, Mc. FROZEN. Corner a happy and prosperous New

SALLY HAS BEEN THERE.

A postal card received from Diana Dear Sisters of the Social Corner: Dear Editor: I will write a letter to the Builetin next week, it is too ate for this week. You cannot imagine the pleasure and surprise your package men!

pleasure and surprise your package then!

gave me, and I have not words to express my gratitude to you all. I may sympathize with all the lonely ones. I find a few by next week; but you all know how cheerless these holidays be certainly have my hearifelt thanks for your generous gifts to me. I wish you sall the Merricus of Christmass.

SALLY SYCAMORE. your generous gifts to me. I wish you

Jewett City.

HOW TO ROAST A TURKEY.

Dear Sisters of the Social Corner

we'se me.

"Guiling warm distens 'neath the we'se me."

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"Solve the principal lang the control of the control of

"Suffer the Little Children"

An Original Story By Queen Bess

(An original story by Queen Bess.) A lady who went about a great deal looking for objects of charity and

she climbed the rathers Looking carefully she saw a heap of chips and shavings and lying on them was a boy about ten years of age.

"My poor boy, what are you doing

here."

"Hush, please don": tell anybody, ma'am. I'm a hiding."

"What are you hiding for?"

"Don't tell anyone, please, ma'am."

"Where's your mother?"

"Please ma'am, mother's dead."

"Where's your father?"

"Hush, don't tell him, but look."

He turned himself, and through the rays of his clothing the lady could see

rags of his clothing the lady could sea that the child's flesh was terribly bruised and broken.
"Why, my poor boy, who beat you like this."

"Father did, ma'am."

pan, as it bastes itself.

He raised himself on his elbow and sang:

Gentie Jesus, meek and mild, Look upon a little child, Pity my simplicity, Suffer me to come to Thee.

Fain would I to Thee be brought Gracious Lord, ferbid it not; In the kingdom of Thy grace, Give a little child a place.

"That's the little hymn, ma'am, good-

bye."

The lady hurried away to obtain medicine and help to move the boy to a more comfortable place. She re-"What did he best you for."

"What did he best you for."

"Father was drunk, ma'am, and beat he 'cos I wouldn't steal."

"Ves, ma'am, I was the thief once."

"And why won't you steal now."

"Please, ma'am, I went to a "Sunday"

"Please, ma'am, I went to a "Sunday"

"What did help to move the boy to a more comfortable place. She returned in about an hour and found the child still lying there, but—dead.

"Oh." she sald, "I am so glad the Saviour sald, Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not.

for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

spoon of butter and a little sait, and one-half cup butter with one cup of occasionally basic the turkey with it. When this supply is exhausted basic occasionally with the liquor in the dripping pan, but do not add more water unless the oven has been allowed to get too hot, and there is no more liquor. In this case add a half cup-oven. Cut in squares immediately after removing from oven. liquor. In this case add a half cup-ful of boiling water iff more is added the turkel will be stewed or steamed, not roasted. When one side is browned, turn the the other side then place on the back till breast is also nicely browned. If you have a covered roast-er do not put a drop of water into the

flour and mix with it six ounces pow-dered sugar; and six ounces fresh but-ter and work to a cramb, then add three well beaten eggs, one-half pound currants and flavor to taste. Beat un-til light, adding more flour if neces-sary. Dredge flour on buttered tin plates and drop bits of batter on them the size of a wainut. Bake in a brisk oven. These cakes will keep for months.

Cake of Gold—Cream one-half cup butter with one cup sugar, then add the relks of five eggs beaten until light colored. Sift together one cup flour, one teaspoon baking powder and add ped fine in a hot saucepan. Strain the hot gravy into it. Allow about fifteen minutes to a pound for roasting. Re-move string, skewers and thread used alternately with three tablespoons of milk to the egg mixture, then add one teaspoon rose extract. Bake m a loaf in sewing up incisions, break off the ends of legs below the joint, place on platter, garnish, and the fowl is ready

cake tin.

Chocolate Dipped Dates—Cut choice dates open on one side, remove seeds and fill space with piece of preserved ginger or nut ments if preferred. Press dates into a compact form to keep in filling, then dip them, one by one, in melted chocolate. C. OF C.

ANCIENT PROPHECY.

Traders. It is pathetic to think of any one devoting so much time and labor to such course match lime and

yet. It don't look as though we would get any.

I have received a pretty card from Auntie, and want to thank her for same; also thanks are due to all those who have written such good letters.

Now as I have something ancient I will close for this time by "ving you a prophecy called Mother Shipton's:

First published in 1435 and republished in 1841.

Sincorely yours,

Carriages without horses shall go, And accidents fill the world with we Around the world thoughts shall fly In the twinking of an eye. Waters shall all more wonders do, Waters shall all more wonders do, Now strange, shall yet be true. Through hills man shall ride, And no horse nor ass be at his side. Under water men shall walk, Shall ride, shall talk. In air men shall be seen, in white, in black, in green. Iron in the water shall float.

As easy as a wooden boat. Gold shall be found—and found in a land that's not now known. Fire and water shall wonders do England shall at last admit a Jew. The world to an end shall come In eighteen hundred eighty-one.

This version of Mother Shipton's Prophecy was cut from the North Star, printed at Danville, Vt., and in our family more than 60 years.

We Social Corner people are a happy family, helping each other.

BALSAM FIR.

A GREETING FROM JIM.

A Happy New Year to the Editor and lends of the Social Corner Home Cir-Many thanks to Joan, who sent me

I wish to thank the sender of the I wish to thank the sender of the very pretty Social Corner calendar.

My warmest sympathy is for all those in sorrow and bereavement at this time, especially to Cherrisette and the large circle of friends of Leonard Bridge in the loss of the dearest one in all the world to her. There is an aching void in my heart, for he was a dear friend of mine.

O. can we say we are ready, brother.

O, can we say we are ready, brother, sister, ready for the soul's bright home! Say, will be find you and I still watch-ing and waiting when our Lord shall

AUNT MEHITABLE'S VISIT TO NEW YORK.

Dear Sisters of the Social Corner: I have greatly appreciated the kind-ness of several of you in mentioning me in your letters and stories. Biddy: It was good to learn that you 'fell in love' with me. The at-traction was mutual, I assure you. The green bag, although still in daily use, does not always contain temper-I wish that when you saw me on

I wish that when you saw me on the morning of October 20th, you had obeyed the impulse to call me. You hardly needed to fear that I would mistake you for a Hallowe'en Black (at. Even had that been the case I should have "felt it in my bones" that it was a Social Corner cat, therefore harmless and friendly.

Rural Delivery: I am so glad you made such a sensible suggestion for a Christmas present to Diana, and that there was a good response.

that there was a good response.

Diana: Your "gems of thought" are beautiful and inspiring enough to be of real help in our efforts to attain noble characters.

noble characters.

I greatly enjoyed the calls from Ready, Theoda and Aunty. From Theoda I learned that Aunty is a very clever woman. Among her many accomplishments is the little trick of do-

ittle Children?

New Jersey. I returned on December 14. Perhaps you would be interested in some of the experience of my week in New York city.

Two afternoons were spent in visiting the Fresh Air class of the Effical Culture school which is held on the roof of the fine buildings on Central Park, West. It consists of a principal, three teachers and sixty children. Their school-room is enclosed on the north and west and open on the south and east. They obtain unlimited fresh air and sunshine. The class was ctarted in September, already there is marked improvement in the health

A large and fine collection of materials has been added. Also a wonderful mechanical apparatus for demonstrating the movement of the earth upon it saxis and the movement of the tark upon it saxis and the movement of the earth around the sun.

A very recent acquisition

sea shells and rude wooden boxes.

"The most highly civilized of the non-Christian tribes live in villages of well built and cleanly houses and are very cleanly in person and dress. The

The women make pottery, weave cloth-The women make pottery, weave clothing and plait mats. There is a large number of jackets beautifully decorated with beads, and as for bags, why Married and Happy and all the other bag lovers, would be envious of the number and beauty of the bags owned by the Philippine ladies.

Many of the jackets are made from very coarse, cheap looking cloth, which was evidently purchased from traders. It is pathetic to think of any

traders. It is pathetic to think of any

Sincerely yours, AUNT METHITABLE. BULLETIN'S PATTERN SERVICE.



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STEWED BANANAS.

Few persons realize the beneficial and nourishing qualities of this fruit, As it disagrees with some people, it has most unjustly been condemned as indigestible and unwholceome. It is the staple food of the South Ameri-cans, however, and is given to their babies as frequently as our hungry youngsters are given slices of bread and butter.

and butter.

Rananas, if they are unripe, may used with indvantage as a vegetable that the fruit in haives, stew it for minutes in just a little water, dra The ripe fruit is a delicious garnish to meat. Cut round slices from ripe, firm bananas, fry them in butter, and lay a few on top and round a broiled steak as it goes to the tables.

one quart strained honey, one-half pound pulverized sugar, one-half pound pulverized sugar, one-half pound suffer flow oranges; then stir in gradually enough sifted flour to make a stiff dough, so it can be rolled out ensily. Turn out on moulding board, beat well for a few minutes with the rolling pin, then roll one-half inch thick. Cut in round cakes and bake in shallow buttered pans.

Fairy Ginzarbras Sources—Cream one-half pound will be calls from The-sons, she can make a great many attractive things for her room besides the sewing for herself which must be done. But for many it is hard after the day's work to accomplish anything ing her housework with one hand, while the other hand is writing to the Social Corner.

On November 14th I started on a time and thought would be well spent for it gives to every one a very real sense of freedom and independence and

Hoods Sarsaparilla

Cures all blood humors, all eruptions, clears the complex-

slik ribbon that are in the family rag bag may be fashioned into a needs ie book small chough to go into the average sized purse without over-Nou my notes taken from cards attached to various portions of the exhibit. The tribes represented are the Mohammedan or Moro tribes; the christianized natives (Visayan Tagalog and so forth); the Pagan tribes (igorot, Maggau and so on) and the Negrito tribes."

"The Negrito were the first inhabitants of the Philippines Islands. They number 250,000. Some of them have no fixed abiding place but sleep wherever night overtakes them, under some tree, or in a but improvised from inpa palms and a few sticks.

"Household utensils consist of coccanut shells, hamboo dishes, large sea shells and rude wooden boxes."

"The most highly in the cardboard, should be a tacked down sheet of fine flanged in which may be stuck needles of several sizes, and at the inside of the flanged in which may be stuck needles of several sizes, and at the inside of the flanged in which may be stuck needles of several sizes, and at the inside of the flanged in which may be stuck needles of several sizes, and at the inside of the flanged in which may be stuck needles of the silk through which reels may be run. These reels, formed of silk covered matches or toothpicks should be wound with a few yards of black and white linen thread, black and white linen thread, black and white or tan sik floss, and thus equipped the shopper is prepared to repair any ordinary mis-nay to her the floss and the second part of the flanged pa

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truthfully say that I have roasted as many turkeys as some of you have seen years.

A Merry Christmas and a Bright A Merry Christinas and Happy New Year to you all. GRANDMA. CAKE AND PUDDING RECIPES! Dear Editor and Sisters: Thank you

turkey and in all my long years I have never falled, and I think that I can

becomes the right consistency. Have the gizzard cooked tender and chop-

Theoda, for your kind words.

Am sending a few more recipes that
I hope you will like . Fruit Cake One cup buttermilk, 1-2 cup butter, I cup sugar, I cup chop-ped cloves, I teaspoon each cinnamon, cloves, nutmeg, soda, salt and ayout two cups flour. Very good, and also

very cheap. Rice Pudding—Wash one cup rice, and put in a two quart agate basin, add about a pint of boiling water, and set on stove. When it bolls, add 1-2 cup raisins, I cup shredded coccanut, I teaspoonful salt, a little nutmeg, and I cup sugar, fill basin with sweet milk. d When the milk is hot, stirring eften until it is creamy. Take out and let it cool; when cool cover with whipped

Gingerbread-One cup molasses, 1-2 cup sugar, I tablespoon lard, I tea-spoon ginger, a little salt and nutmeg. Pour in I cup boiling water and stir until the lard is melted, then add I teaspoon sods, and flour to make a

medium batter. It was real country—two miles from the village where the mills, steam and electric cars, schools, churches, stores and post office were located—and just missed by the R. D. Just some scattering farm-houses and a little country school house where Sunday school and an occasional prayer meeting had been held before it came unjust had been held before it came unjust the mout with the aid of a paring-land of the covers of the Social Corner:

Many a holiday feast has been spoiled by a cook who did not understand the art of properly cleaning, suffling and together -2 cup sweet milk. I mixing spoon occountry school house where Sunday should be turkey. To such young, and unexperienced, housekeepers I send the following directions:

Remove all pin-foathers by pulling that out with the aid of a paring-land dad about 1 1-4 cups flour, quite thin. One cup flour is enough. Bake in two layers, and put in a crushed news-Chocolate Fudge Cake-One half cup sweet mill. I mixing spoon cocoa, boil or lard the size of a walnut, sait .1 teaspoon soda, add to this the mixture that has been boiled, and add about 1 1-4 cups flour. Have quite thin. One cup flour is often knife. Take off one of the covery together with Chocolate rungs your range and put in a crushed newspaper. Take the fowl by the legs ing: One cup sugar, I tablespoon co-coa, 2 tablespoons thick, sweet cream, and thoroughly singe it, then with a coa, 2 tablespoons thick, sweet cream, Boil for about five minutes, then take from stove and stir briskly until it begins to thicken. Fut in on the cale before the fresting begins to cool or it will not spread.

AUNT SERENA. A BEAUTIFUL CARPET FOR THIR. TY CENTS.

It doesn't look like the proverbial thirty cents, either. For a long time I had been promised a new rug for my room. The carpet, while almost as good as the day it was bought (years ago), had not a remnant of the original color. It always seemed something was needed more than the thing was needed more than the

promised rug.

In winter we thought we'd buy it in the spring, and then when spring came the positionement would again go into effect. Finally last week I dego into effect. Finally last week I de-termined to try dyeling it. I thought, well, if I take the carpet up it might shrink, and I'll never get it back. So I removed everything from the room, I had bought three ten cent packages of green dye. I bolled it according to directions. I filled a big pan with the warm dye, equipped myself with rub-ber gloves and a big scrubbing brush and went to work. In about an hour I had rubbed the carpet to a beautiful grass green. In two days it was thor-oughly dried and, the result is simply stunning.

Stunning.

Mother was decidedly pessimistle before I started but is most thoroughly delighted now. I hope this suggestion will prove of use to some of the Cor-

I wish you all a very Happy Ne ear. STENOGRAPHER. Year. SUNSHINE'S GREETINGS.

Dear Social Corner Sisters: My greetings for a Happy New Year, May joy and happiness await each one of joy and nappiness await each one of you in the coming year and bring you one and all good luck in a hundred ways. May our Corner be a place of sweet content—a place to seek and find friends—a place of joy and good cheer and just leaded with good things for one and all.

SUNSHINE.

TESTED RECIPES.

Dear Editor and Sisters of the So-cial Corner: Herewith I send a few tested recipes.

Honey Cake—Mix very thoroughly one quart strained honey, one-half pound pulverized sugar, one-half pound butter and juice of two oranges; then stir in gradually enough afted flour to make a stiff dough, so it can be rolled out easily. Turn out on moulding board, best well for a few minutes with the rolling pin, then roll one-half inch thick. Cut in round cakes and bake in shallow buttered pans.

deal looking for objects of charity and all or any whom she might help, reached one day the upper room in a tenement house. It was vacant. She saw a ladder pushed through a hole in the ceiling. Thinking that perhaps some poor creature had gone up there, she climbed the ladder and found hereshe limbed the ladder and f

earth around the sun.
A very recent acquisition is the
Philippine exhibit. I will share with
you my hotes taken from cards at-

wherever night overtakes them, under some tree, or in a but improvised from inpa palms and a few sticks. "Household utensils consist of co-coanut shells, hamboo dishes, large sea shells and rude wooden boxes.

wery cleanly in person and dress. The behinded knife on a buttered inverted dripping pan. Bake in a moderate oven. Cut in squares immediately after removing from oven.

Kris Kringle Cookies—Dry one pound flour and mix with it six ounces powdered sugar; add six ounces fresh butter and work to a crumb, then add three well beaten eggs, one half pound.

From even a casual study, one gains the impression that most of the natives are very clover with their tin ingers.

ANCIENT PROPHECY.

To the Editor and Social Corner Staters: The year is going fast and I have neglected to wish you all a Merry Christmas, but I will be sure you will get my best wishes for a Happy New Year, one and all.

I sympathize with those Sisters who have had so much bereavement, but such is life, and I feel sure the overruling power will stand by them.

I read with great interest all of the letters, and I want to tell Biddy right here and new I am never happier than when I am in the sick room; but being out of health compels me to lay aside my duties until my health is improved. Black Pansy: I thank you for sugesting my services. No snow here as yet, It don't look as though we would get any.

I have received a pretty card from

ing and never could stop."

With best wishes from Uncle Zolvan and myself for a very Happy New

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